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Regulatory Commission of Alaska

May 7, 2012

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room TW-A325
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future, GN Docket No. 09-51; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers, WC Docket 07-135; High-Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337; Developing an Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime, CC Docket No. 01-92; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45; Lifeline and Link-Up, WC Docket No. 03-109; Universal Service Report-Mobility Fund, WT Docket 10-208

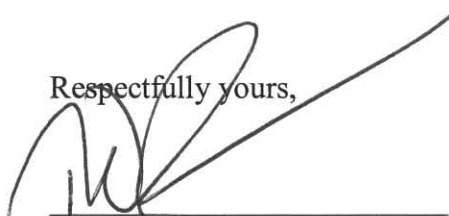
Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 25, 2012, Commissioner Kate Giard, Kip Knudson, and I met at the FCC's offices with Chairman Julius Genachowski, Commissioner Robert M. McDowell, Commissioner Mignon L. Clyburn, Zachary Katz, Christine D. Kurth, and Angela Kronenberg.

Our discussions focused on the unique characteristics of the Alaska telecommunications network and also on areas and methods in and by which the Regulatory Commission of Alaska might meaningfully assist the FCC as it deals with reform concerns that directly affect Alaska. The RCA requested that the FCC not lose sight of the Section 254(b)(3) principle requiring reasonably comparable service to customers in rural areas of the nation. We also encouraged a partnership between the FCC and the RCA to develop a thoughtful Alaska-specific plan for ICC reform to ensure that Alaska consumers have the opportunity to participate in the FCC's advanced broadband vision.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully yours,



T.W. Patch
Chairman

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